

## House Resolution No. 2977

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives enjoy a long, proud tradition of meeting their responsibilities to the citizens of this state while upholding the virtues represented by the "Glory of Missouri": Knowledge, Liberty, Equality, Law, Justice, Fraternity, Education, Progress, Honor, Truth, Virtue, Temperance, Enterprise, and Charity; and

**Whereas**, these virtues are engraved in the House Chamber of the State Capitol with the inscription: "All the foregoing human qualities bind into one theme, the Glory of Missouri because no people attain these virtues unless they are great."; and

**Whereas**, the "Glory of Missouri" virtues were engraved in the early 1920s under the direction of the Decorating Commission, which recognized their relevance and importance to the early Missouri Legislature; and

**Whereas**, the "Glory of Missouri" Award was created to encourage the values held by the early leaders of Missouri and to recognize those standards as exemplified in our schools and communities by this state's young people, the future of Missouri; and

**Whereas**, Lesley Ostapowicz, a student at St. Richard School in St. Louis, has been selected to receive the "Glory of Missouri" Award for her accomplishments in the area of JUSTICE as defined by the intent of the Decorating Commission for the Capitol in 1922: "She stands firm upon a rock, a shield under her right hand, and a scepter of authority in her left, Justice in the affairs of men is a strange mixture of the human and the divine. Sometimes there is law in it, sometimes there is mercy in it."; and

**Whereas**, a young lady with a positive attitude and remarkable leadership ability, Lesley personifies the concept of justice in all of her actions by always striving to find the fair solution to a problem while maintaining a straight A average and participating in parish and volunteer activities, choir, Bellarmine Speech League, and Student Council:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in commending Lesley Ostapowicz for her noteworthy achievements in the pursuit of "JUSTICE", and in extending heartfelt congratulations to her at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Lesley Ostapowicz, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Sam Page  
District No. 82

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2977, adopted May 16, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker